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Gramma wins again

Margaret Ross, better known as Gramma, reclaims her title as the champion of the Minden Winterfest Chili Competition and signs her name to the winner's apron on Feb. 20. See more photos on page 5. Photo by Angelica Blenich

Pool discussion premature: AH council

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Algonquin Highlands councillors found discussion of a public county pool premature at their Feb. 17 meeting.

At that meeting, councillors discussed a submission from Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid, suggesting the county proceed with a market demand feasibility study for a pool, the contract for which Reid suggested be awarded to Toronto's LeisurePlan International Inc., the company the YMCA uses for such studies.

The study would be done in the form of a phone survey and cost \$35,000 and the YMCA has expressed interest in being involved in the project.

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Sole-sourcing contract raises questions with councillors

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selves," said Deputy-reeve Liz Daniels, adding the purpose of the discussion was just to get a feeling of where council stood on the subject.

Danielsen chaired the meeting as Reeve Carol Moffatt was absent. Councillor Gordon Henderson was also away.

Reid's proposal had come before the county's economic development committee Feb. 9 and Danielsen summarized for councillors some of the concerns the county's three other reeves had expressed at that meeting.

Among them were what exact questions the survey would entail as well as questions around the transparency of sole-sourcing the contract.

Councillor Gary Schultz wanted to know if the initiative was being driven by Minden Hills.

"This is not a mandate of the county," Danielsen said,

explaining that while recreation usually falls under the purview of the lower-tier governments, the pool was being discussed at the upper tier because of the magnitude of the project. "It's not specifically Minden-driven."

Schultz said it was premature to have much of a discussion about a pool.

"We haven't even got to first base yet," he said, bringing up questions around a business plan and site feasibility.

"I'm also very concerned about long-term maintenance [costs]," Schultz said.

A business plan would follow the feasibility study and Reid told Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey at the Feb. 9 committee meeting that its costs would likely be at least \$70,000.

"Right now, they want to determine what the appetite for a public pool is," Danielsen said.

"We have to define the appetite," Schultz responded,

wondering what sorts of questions would be involved in the survey.

Both Schultz and Councillor Lisa Barry expressed concern that specific demographics, such as seniors, the disabled and young parents, have an opportunity to speak to their needs.

Reid has said the survey would have specific demographic targets.

Barry supported the idea of a pool in principle.

Dysart et al council has reviewed the submission and was cool to the idea.

While councillors in Highlands East have received Reid's submission, it has not yet been discussed.

The submission has not been discussed by Minden Hills council.

Fearrey and Moffatt made requests at the Feb. 9 committee meeting that reps from the YMCA and LeisurePlan

Learn table tennis for free March 5

The Ministry of Health Promotion is encouraging each one of us to be active. They sponsor a program called Sport for More encouraging people to try new physical activity. As a result of the Ontario Senior Winter Games in Haliburton County, we have three new "ping pong," or table tennis, tables available for use by young and old.

Table tennis is an Olympic sport and wonderful exercise, as well as challenging eye-hand coordination. Table tennis is also an inexpensive sport.

Through the Sport for More program and the Ontario Table Tennis Association, we are inviting people of all ages to learn about and try table tennis. This will be a fun day of learning and play at the Minden Community Centre, Saturday, March 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The senior games saw 80-year-olds play with great agility. Many of the competitors had received hip and knee replacements. We invite people of all ages to come out ... bring a friend, a parent or a grandchild. Come for fun!

There is no cost involved.

To register, call Rick Cox at 705-286-1936 ext 201 or Carol Browne at 705-457-4551.



Romance at the supermarket

Minden resident Linda Hamilton brought this heart-shaped potato she found just in time for Valentine's Day into the Times office last week. The bag she'd purchased actually contained two heart-shaped potatoes.

Chad Ingram Times staff

Operation Red Ribbon asks county residents to show support for DeBruin dogsled team

Sue Yallop
Special to the Times

Haliburton's own Hank DeBruin has completed the Yukon Quest Sled Dog Race, 1,000 miles from Whitehorse to Fairbanks. In doing this, he was awarded the Red Lantern.

He spent 13 and a half days on the trail with his team led by the amazing Lily to accomplish a dream.

I personally don't know many people who can say they have gone after and truly accomplished a dream!

For this reason, we are asking Haliburton to come together to welcome Hank and the team home and recognize this amazing accomplishment.

Starting today, you should start to see red ribbons popping up on cars, mailboxes, and trees. This is our plan: Tie a red ribbon to recognize our Red Lantern winner!

Pull out the Christmas bows if that works for you, head to one of our wonderful local retailers and see if they have red ribbon you can pick up and if that doesn't work for you we are going to be placing boxes of red ribbons around the

county that people can pick up free of charge.

Of course we will have them at That Place in Carnarvon, but I am going to be going to other local restaurants and retailers and asking them to put out a box of ribbons.

If we all pull together, and show our unity, we can turn this county red to welcome Hank home. Who knows? Other people out there in the world might take notice as well.

So tie a red ribbon and join the wave of support for our hometown hero ... Hank DeBruin!

Stanhope soccer fee up \$5

Algonquin Highlands councillors approved a fee increase for the Stanhope Soccer League this year.

The fee will increase from \$25 to \$30.

The league's committee made the recommendation for an increase in a continued effort to raise money for field improvements.

The last fee increase, from \$20 to \$25, took place in 2004.

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Bessie's Books and other things

Ducks and pucks

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Runners up in the inaugural Ducks Unlimited fundraising event, the team from Haliburton helped raise \$5,000 for the preserve wetlands across the province. Photo submitted.

Community fundraising is a new DUC program that aims to bring the greater public together in support of wetland conservation and increase the profile of DUC. Thanks to the folks

On January 14th and 15th, teams from all over the region were invited to come out to the first annual DUC and The Yukon Quest Sled Dog Race.

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Guests enjoy a waltz down the aisle during the Maple Lake United Church Valentine's concert on Feb. 19. The concert included a variety of performances including Earl Cooper on the mandolin, the Maple Lake United Church Ugly Stick Band and Simply Befiddled.

Kathleen Owens recognized for organ playing

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

For Kathleen Owens, playing the organ has become a way of life.

Owens, who has been the organist at Maple Lake United Church for the past 55 years, was recognized for her musical dedication at the annual Valentine's concert held Feb. 19.

Filled with different genres of music, the concert showcased local talent, including Earl Cooper on the mandolin, the Maple Lake United Church Ugly Stick Band and musical trio Simply Befiddled.



Rev. Max Ward reads a letter to Kathleen Owens from Mardi Tindal, the moderator of the United Church of Canada, thanking Owens for her years of service as an organist at Maple Lake United Church. Owens has been playing the organ at the church for the past 55 years.



The concert included a performance from Simply Befiddled.

Could Gelert Community Centre close its doors?

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Terry Carr is concerned that if Minden Hills township closes its community halls, the one in Gelert will be first on the proverbial chopping block.

The hall is currently under a boil-water advisory, and while Minden Hills council recently approved purchase of new ultraviolet and filtration systems for the Lochlin and Irondale halls, what to do about the water problem in Gelert will be discussed in the larger context of the future of the hall itself.

In November, the former council gave Gelert residents two years to increase usage of their hall.

"I'm not sure where the two-year timeframe comes from," Carr said.

Carr has compiled an eight-page report entitled *Our Community Halls*, which takes inventory of the assets and uses of the township's three community halls.

Current uses include everything from weekly card games and family fun days to lake association meetings and funeral receptions.

Suggested uses from the fall meeting are also included in the report and include, among others, fitness classes, hosting children's entertainers and artisans' exhibits.

"It's all about the health of community," Carr said. "If you lose the health of the community, you're kind of shooting yourself in the foot."

Carr, who works in real estate, said having a functioning hall in Gelert makes it a more attractive place for people to buy homes.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid told the *Times* the township will not be closing any of the halls any time soon.

"At this point, there is no plan to close any of the smaller community centres," she said. "Within the next 24 months, I expect we'll have some clarity on the future of all three halls."

Residents of the former Snowdon township, which accounts for about a fifth of the population of Minden Hills, have complained often in the past that while the township pours hundreds of thousands of dollars into the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena each year, it spends next to nothing on the three halls, which are maintained largely with money raised by local volunteer groups.

"They are valid," Reid said of the concerns. "I have said for four years that we need to look after all municipal property and that includes the three smaller community centres."

Costs for arena were about \$350,000.

While Carr has made a request to appear before council to discuss her report, she has not heard back from the township.

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Land trust launches updated journal

Jenn Watt
Editor

There are now 21 species at risk in Ontario that can be found in Haliburton County.

After the Ministry of Natural Resources added more species to its list, which includes seven new birds, the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust decided to re-release its journal cataloging the animals.

"Since the first journal was put out in 2009, the Ontario government added eight new species to the species at risk list," Sheila Ziman, chairperson of the HHLT told a gathering at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre Feb. 19.

All eight of those new species are found in this county.

Originally, the re-launch event was supposed to include two bird experts – Audrey Heagy and Elisabeth van Stam of Bird Studies Canada – but bad weather forced the pair to cancel their trip.

Instead, Ziman guided the group through Haliburton's at-risk species, making note of their more interesting characteristics.

Many species are at risk due to human interference in environment or persecution due to a perceived danger the animal poses.

For example, the eastern hog-nosed snake will rear up like a cobra when frightened, but is not venomous.

The journal includes full-colour photographs of the 21 species and thorough descriptions of their habitat preferences and threats to the species.

It also includes a reporting form, which the HHLT is asking people to fill out when they see one of the at-risk species to help with ongoing documentation.

The land trust can be reached at 705-454-8107, admin@haliburtonlandtrust.ca or at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca.



Go online to find a full list of the county's species at risk.
[mindentimes.ca](#).

Sheila Ziman, chairperson of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, discusses the process by which her group acquires and protects ecologically sensitive land. Administrative assistant Elisha Barlow joined her at the front of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre meeting room to unveil the new Species At Risk journal.

Jenn Watt
Times staff

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Race needs new camp

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Algonquin Highlands councillors are asking the organizer of an overnight adventure race to find an alternative camping site after he requested to use the Stanhope Fire-fighters Community Hall and its grounds for that purpose.

Councillors received a letter from Bob Miller, organizer of Wilderness Traverse, at their Feb. 17 meeting.

While overnight parking is not typically allowed on the grounds, Miller was hoping the bylaw could be waived for the weekend of Aug. 20 this year.

However, that is the same weekend as the annual triathlon by the Stanhope Firefighters Association, which uses the grounds.

CAO Angie Bird said the hall itself is not booked by triathlon organizers since it is not used, but it is always accepted that the triathlon will use the property on that weekend.

Bird said the grounds are not large enough to accommodate both events.

"It would literally bump the triathlon because of space," she said.

Public works director Brian Whetstone said he wouldn't recommend having vehicles park on the lawn at the hall because of its sensitivity.

Councillor Lisa Barry questioned why the event wouldn't be held near the Frost Centre and use the township's camp sites in that area.

Trails coordinator, Mark Coleman who has worked with Miller before, said events have been hosted there in the past and that Miller was looking for different location.

"He does have a good reputation," Coleman said. "I've always had a good experience with his organization."

The field at the airport was suggested as a possible alternative, however, while it does have washrooms, Bird pointed out there is no hall-type building there.



Gramma takes back chili title

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

It was a momentous occasion on Feb. 20 as Margaret Ross, better known as Gramma, took back her title as chili champion while two-year-old granddaughter Amelia Dykstra looked on.

Winning the first two consecutive years of the contest, Ross lost her title last year to Gravity House only to win it back this year.

The fourth annual chili contest was part of the three-day Winterfest event held in Minden from Feb. 18-21.

Aside from the chili cook-off, the weekend saw families come out to participate in free public skating, a pancake breakfast, horse-drawn wagon rides and a variety of indoor activities.

It was only fitting that the Minden Hills arena was full of families on Feb. 21 during an afternoon of public skating, part of the weekend Winterfest festivities.

Photos by **Angelica Blenich** Times staff



Mary and Jim Fox of the Minden Rotary club prepare to serve up some chili.



Left, horse-drawn wagon rides were a popular attraction during the final day of the Minden Winterfest.



Left, Molly McInerney of Molly's Bistro and Bakery serves up a portion of her chili.



Thomas Munns, 5, gives his minnow a little help with an extra bit of wind during the races.

points of view

Pool poor use of tax dollars

I'VE SAID IT BEFORE in this space, but since the issue has resurfaced, I'll say it again: Haliburton County is in no position to support an indoor pool.

The subject of a public pool became a popular topic during last fall's municipal elections, particularly in Minden Hills and Dysart et al, and why wouldn't it?

What a perfect opportunity for the Haliburton County Pool Initiative to further its cause. What political candidates desperate for office are going to stand up before their electorate and decry the construction of such an asset?

A few seasoned politicians, did, however, say it was not realistic.

Talk of a pool resurfaced earlier this month after Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid brought a proposal for a market feasibility study onto the county table.

Reid was fulfilling an election promise that she would investigate the potential of a pool for the county and I'm not about to deny credit where credit is due.

However, the fact still remains Haliburton County, at this juncture, cannot sustain such a facility.

For now, let's put aside the boondoggle of just where such a facility would be located within a county that takes up almost as much space as Prince Edward Island.

Let's look at the financial side of the coin.

The thing would cost millions to build and probably half a million bucks a year

to maintain. Even with the YMCA as a partner, it's just not sensible for the county to embark on such a venture at this time.

The county has lost \$2.4 million in Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund money in the last two years and councillors heard just a couple of weeks ago the county will require about that amount for bridge and culvert repairs over the next five years.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey has said No. 1 priority is affordable housing and this, in a county that is one of the poorest in the province,

should be a priority for all of council.

Not the luxury – and it is a luxury – of an indoor pool.

Let's not even get into the fact that such a facility would be paid for at least in part by seasonal waterfront property owners who would never even use the thing.

Many cottagers already complain they get nothing for their taxes but a dump card. Why add to their chagrin?

Also, many of the county's struggling residents wouldn't be able to afford the user fees a pool would entail.

It seems the demographic that most wants such a facility is the county's wealthier, aging population.

For these individuals, there are indoor pools in Bobcaygeon and Lindsay that are not so far away.

In fact, Lindsay is just as close to Minden as Oxtongue Lake.



Chad Ingram
Reporter



Cat Scan

letters to the editor

\$940 raised through game

To the Editor,

I would like to personally thank the people of Minden, the Hamiltons, Lisa Schell, and the Minden Hills and Dysart fire departments for the wonderful turnout to Dawson's game on Feb. 20, and the generous donations in mem-

ory of Dawson Hamilton.

Together you raised \$940.71, which has gone directly to the Ride to Conquer Cancer, benefiting the Campbell Family Institute for Cancer Research at Princess Margaret Hospital.

Craig Birchall
Minden

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Thank you to Minden Hills council

To the Editor,

In recent weeks the news seems to be composed of why things can't work, why things shouldn't change, and other grumblings related to the enthusiasm of the new Minden Hills township council. In response I would like to offer my two cents to the fray. Regarding a councillor as committee chair, the comment keeps arising that this would not allow the public a voice, and we would be better served by a person from the general population as chair. I would like to respectfully offer that a person from the public is one person with one opinion and probably represents one interest group, whereas a councillor as chair is an elected official who is there to represent all of us, and must respond accordingly. Another comment we

hear is that the pool issue is premature. I would like to suggest that after waiting for this issue to gain serious consideration by any of our councils in Haliburton County for several decades, it is more than long overdue for seniors, children, and others who would enjoy the health and exercise benefits of a pool. If we compared the amount of public money that has gone into creating, maintaining and supporting the ice rinks in Haliburton County since their creation, all good for community recreation and exercise, the costs associated with building and maintaining a pool would not seem as significant as is being touted in various council chambers.

Lastly, comments on the Rail Trail get heated whenever some brave councillor men-

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points of view

Fore!

TECHNOLOGY, as we all know, moves forward at an astounding rate. One minute, man is having a hard time crossing the vast expanses of time and space to set foot at his mother-in-law's place, the next minute we're taking small steps on the moon and still having a hard time getting to our mother-in-law's.

That's why none of us should be too surprised that we have finally achieved humanity's ultimate dream. Have we eliminated all disease? Gosh no.

Have we perfected teleportation? Not that I've heard. Have we found a way to end war or feed the hungry? Unfortunately we're a long way off.

Maybe I exaggerated on the ultimate dream part. But, believe me, what I'm about to reveal is still pretty cool. Ready?

OK, someone finally invented a toilet that can flush golf balls! Not just one

golf ball either – that, of course, would be silly. No ma'am, this toilet can flush 10 at a time. And that, my friends, is profound.

You can be sure that the porcelain gods are smiling. So too are sewage plant workers as they frantically try to figure out how to sell slightly soiled golf balls on eBay. Yes, this is another win-win situation for us all.

We can thank the hotel industry for this, by the way. The same people who developed and perfected over-priced assorted nuts and the placement of stale mints on your pillow, decided not to rest on their laurels.

Instead, they turned their vast collective intellect toward the dream of a more powerful toilet. I'm still not sure why 10 golf balls is the standard, but I suspect

it has a lot to do with some of the food served at that particular establishment.

Like all technological advances, this was done for selfish reasons – clogged toilets are the cause of many customer complaints and cost hotels time and money to fix. But this is fine because, like things learned in the space project or military technology, the benefits of this breakthrough will eventually filter down to us.

I'm no psychic but I can see the day when the first man sits on a toilet that will easily flush two soft balls. Then, after intense reconstructive surgery and an out of court settlement, the toilet manufacturer will fix that problem.

The point is that, with each little technological leap, society moves forward.



Steve Galea
Beyond 35

It's not dramatic or even pretty, but imagine reading this column on a toilet that you have complete confidence in. Finally, there will be something pleasant about the experience.

Besides, toilets are far more important to civilization than anyone gives them credit for. An adequate sanitation system is why Rome rose to power. But it was also their downfall I suspect. You see when the barbarians were at the gates and everyone was crapping themselves, you need more than an adequate sanitation system. Or so I suspect. Imagine how different this world would be now if the Romans had known of golf.

Yes, all this is not exactly walking on the moon. It's more like one small move for man, one giant movement for mankind. And, for now, that will have to do.

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First taping, then tapping

THREE MUST BE SOMETHING about orange that squirrels do not like. Or so I begin to think during one morning of putting about on Sucker Ridge.

The changing of the ribbons is an annual February ritual for The Brown Dog Jiggs and me. It is as much to fuel my anticipation as to make necessary preparations that the dog and I are in the woods on sunny afternoons.

For we are getting ready for the maple syrup season with surveyors' tape in three colours – orange, red and green. When the actual tapping begins next month, a ribbon tells me that a tree is to be tapped and its colour tells me which side gets the spile.

Once I start gathering, the tape saves me from missing a tree that happens to have its bucket hanging on the other side, out of sight.

A real commercial syrup producer – one, say, with 3,000 taps – would be out running lines in these same February days and then come indoors to read this and roll around on the floor laughing at my putting.

"You have too much time on your hands," one of them once told me when

I told him about my ribboning, but the coloured tape does save me a little time later on.

Besides, it gives me an excuse to be out in the woods, listening to the ravens and the chickadees and looking at the tiny tracks in the snow. It is as much about making fun as making maple syrup.

So each February I am out in the bush removing tape from decommissioned trees, adding it to new recruits, and replacing ribbons that have gone missing. I can manage only 200 taps, so I re-sort my trees each winter.

While I putter with tape, The Brown Dog putters with odours, snuffling about in the snow. After a while, he comes over and stands at my knee, teeth chattering. We go home and throw another log on the fire.

The ribbons are supposed to be permanent, or at least their removal is supposed to be up to me, but something in the bush is taking the job out of my hands.

It might be porcupines or weather or

time that brings them down, but I always imagine it is squirrels, annoyed at tripping over it. Sometimes the broken tape is still dangling from a bark crevice.

Other times, it is just gone.

Trudging from tree to tree leaves time for meditation and observation, but meditation too often turns out to be mere day-dreaming and I am not very good at noticing things.

It took me eight years, for example, to notice that almost all of the ribbons that have been dismantled are, or were, orange. An occasional red is gone but every one of last year's greens has survived.

Some of the remaining oranges have chunks missing, as though they have been chewed on. In a few cases, bits of orange tape are higher up on the tree trunk, stuck in the bark.

So, what's going on here? The orange is from China, the green from Naperville, Ill. Could some squirrel be attempting its own trade embargo?

Squirrels are said to have excellent vision and they can detect colours, but

they can't tell red from green. Orange is almost red so it, too, must be difficult to distinguish from green, but green seems safe and orange comes tumbling down. If it isn't the colour, is it the fabric? Orange feels soft between my fingers; green is slick to the touch.

Can it be that orange surveyors' tape is good nesting material? Squirrels have nests. Perhaps, far from being annoyed by the orange, they like it too much.

In this country, gray squirrels have large, well-defended territories in maple bushes. Could this be the work of a single squirrel?

I don't have the answer, but if you do, I'd be glad to hear it. It gives me great pleasure to notice the minutiae of other creatures' lives, to see that their days are as full of detail as my own.

When my hands start putting, my brain does too.

A collection of Neil Campbell's columns, Cell Phones and Sap Buckets, is available in stores across Haliburton County.

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While I wait for my licence, I am harassed

To the Editor,

I have lost all my independence, dignity, mobility and use of my hands. I am in constant pain. I suffer severe muscle spasms all due to advanced MS.

I exist in a nursing home for the elderly. I am

63 years old.

The only way I can tolerate my condition is with the use of marijuana – a recognized treatment for MS.

I applied for my licence to use medical marijuana last Sept. 14. I have had no reply.

I had a small amount of marijuana rolled in

cigarette in a urine sample bottle. It was in my purse in my dresser drawer.

Last Saturday two nurses tried to confiscate it. I said they had no right to go into my purse, it was my private belonging.

I took my purse and left the building in my electric wheelchair. I was on a path in the

woods about to smoke one of my cigarettes when a policeman came and searching my purse and took my cigarettes.

Jeff Pinney
Minden



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- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton has provided mentoring programs to children 6-16 years of age for 30 years, 12 years in Haliburton County.
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- There are children presently waiting in Haliburton County to meet an adult role model and build a positive friendship.
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Idea for cross-country skiers to use six kms of Rail Trail

from page 6

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metres, allowing skiers to use the 6 km section. Perhaps it would be the section from Haliburton village so it could be used by tourists, school children and residents. It could be a free cross-country ski trail, to encourage the sport in the county. If it were fair, then in summer you would be able to bicycle on the trail. You can't, because it has been maintained with impassable sand and boulders instead of fine crush that would pack and form a terrific base for a bike's narrow tires, and the bridges are built with wide placement of planks at inhospitable angling, dangerous for cyclists. If it were fair, you could walk with your family and enjoy a section of the trail in summer without having to hop off the trail quickly when an ATV comes flying around the corner, covering your mouths from choking dust and fumes. Is the

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1. File No. 09-14

Applicant – **RATZ: Wilma & Patrick**

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Horseshoe Lake, lying in front of Lot 11, Concession 7, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9244, registered January 26, 2011.

2. File No. 10-11

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3. File No. 10-13

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Until March 26

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Haliburton County worked with artist Rose Pearson and curator Laurie Carmount to create a body of artwork capturing their boundless imaginations.

Until March 10

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Youthful expressions come alive

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

The local gallery is giving youth the power to express their inner narrative and have it showcased to the public with the They Sketch, They Paint workshop offered for free by the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden last month.

There were 17 children and youth between the ages of 10 and 17 who learned how to work with acrylic paint over the span of 12 hours, spread across three Sunday afternoon classes in January.

Their paintings are now on display at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery until March 26.

Led by professional artist Rose Pearson, who is a former arts teacher at the high school, the workshop gave budding artists the opportunity to use acrylic paint to convey inner thoughts and ideas.

The workshop included a "guided visualization" exercise led by Darrell Dobson, who is a high school teacher with experience leading students in this process for creative writing classes.

"He talked them through a journey, which would enable them to come up with a space or place and a living thing like an animal, or a still life object," Pearson said. "Those things all would be generated on an individual based on their own visions."

The young artists produced work focusing on animals such as moose, deer and polar bears while others focused on places and things.

Dobson was asked by his wife Pearson to help with the program.

The gallery provided all of the art materials for the program.

For 16-year-old Mikaela Gordon, who has a passion for art, the program was rewarding and the guided visualization helped develop the narrative of her piece that depicts a kangaroo and the Uluru rock in Australia.

The age range of the participants provided unique insight and perspective. Although Pearson recognized the younger participants benefited from the older contingent, it was the older students who acknowledged the benefits they received from the younger set.

"It was very interesting to see the different ways that the younger kids worked [compared to] the older kids. We all had heard the same [instruction about guided visualization] but we all came up with such different artwork. It was really neat," she said.

She added the older students helped her consider greater range of colours than she had first thought of for her painting.



A young girl attends the opening to the exhibition of work by young artists who participated in the They sketch, they paint program at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden on Saturday, Feb. 5. Children were taught not only how to paint, but how to develop a narrative and to draw upon inner thought for work with greater complexity. The exhibition of the work runs until March 26.

Darren Lum
Times staff

Gordon spends her summers working as an apprentice at a local pottery studio and hopes to take post-secondary courses after she graduates.

Participants in their first week received instruction on painting technique and learned to develop the exercise of guided visualization.

The following week the participants were expected to return with reference materials such as pictures and sketches to see what they imagined.

They all sketched out their pieces in pencil on the canvas. Some even started to paint in the second session.

In the third and final week all of the participants painted and refined their work for the show, including the completion of their artist's statement.

The curator of the Agnes Jamieson Gallery and the program coordinator Laurie Carmount said the name of the program They Sketch, They Paint is a tongue-in-cheek reference to "He shoots, he scores," adding this program gave children an alternate offering to sports.

On the last day of the program Carmount could hear a pin drop because of how focused the participants were on completing their work for the show.

There were more than a 100 people who attended the opening at the Minden gallery, located on Bobcaygeon Road.

Carmount was happily surprised by one of the largest crowds she has seen at an art opening, adding the majority stayed longer than most, staying for a few hours.

Among those who attended were a town councillor and CAO.

This experience, she said, not only provides a broader picture of the various career arts opportunities to young participants, but shows parents the various people required of an exhibition.

Carmount said she is not certain if a similar program would be run again this year, but she expects to have one next year.

She is considering a similar program with another medium other than paint, possibly printmaking for later this year, depending on the budget.

However, she encourages parents to call the gallery with any specific requests as programs can be created as a result of demand.

Two speakers continue to talk in next competition

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Two members of the Haliburton Highlands Toastmasters will be advancing to a regional speech competition in Peterborough next month after winning their categories at the local competition last week.

The contest was held at the Minden United Church on the evening of Feb. 16.

Ruth Carter and Linda Voicey competed in the international speech contest, with speeches five to seven minutes in length.

Carter's, entitled "It's a Big Word," was all about friendship.

"What is a friend?" she asked, quoting Aristotle. "It is one soul in two bodies."

In her talk, Carter also talked about overcoming the intense shyness she had known as a child.

"I soon realized it was more fun to be an extravert than an introvert," she said.

Voicey's humorous speech was called "So What?" and was about the benefits of not taking life so seriously.

Maybe you want to be a good friend, but at the end of the day, you find that you just can't bring yourself to care that much about someone else's problem, she suggested.

"Hey, so what? You're not Oprah."

"In Paris, there's a beautiful museum to Napoleon," she continued, despite the legendary French emperor's defeat at Waterloo. "He got by, why shouldn't we?"

U.S. President Barack Obama's approval rating has slipped substantially since he took office.

"So what?" Voicey asked. "He can always say he's doing better than Nixon."

Carter and Voicey are both part of the same writers' group and Voicey said she first got involved in Toastmasters years ago while living in Grand Prairie, Alta.

"I basically went because I was bored and it was one of the few things there was to do in Grand Prairie," she said.

Next was the evaluation speech contest, in which contestants were judged on their evaluation of a speech by longtime Toastmaster and guest speaker Tony Nelson.

Entitled "I Was Motivated," the speech was a humorous account of what was nearly a very embarrassing incident from his high school days.

The well-executed speech was given glowing reviews by Carter, Ed Litwin, Dave Stevens and Norm Thomas, who ended up winning the category. The meeting was chaired by Grant Bjornson and chief judge was area governor Hope Lee.

Snowball county's main Family Day attraction

Jenn Watt
Editor

Dorset managed to attract the most winter enthusiasts of any Family Day weekend event across the county Feb. 19.

Hundreds arrived in Dorset Saturday morning to participate in the 21st annual Snowball Winter Carnival on Main Street, which featured food, entertainment and activities for the family.

Inside the recreation centre, kids in snowsuits packed the basement for minnow races, balloon twisting and stone carving.

Meanwhile, on the street, the Junkyard Symphony got the chilly crowd moving with their rhythmic environmental message as kids raced miniature snowmobiles around the ball diamond area.

Food was served both by the Shrine Club Hillbilly Unit, which raised money for their Montreal children's hospital, and the Knox United Church Women and Mary Magdalene Anglican Church who sold baked goods, tea and coffee as a fundraiser.



Top, Jordyn Nash, right, discovers her minnow has won the race in the Dorset Recreation Centre. Left, Councillor Liz Daniels marvels at the fish's stunning speed. Councillor Lisa Barry and Reeve Carol Moffatt also ran the minnow races all afternoon for kids.

Middle left, horse-drawn sleigh rides up and down Main Street were a crowd pleaser, despite the bitterly cold wind. Middle right, Matthew Stevenson of Lake of Bays checks out the heart-shaped balloon Clown Michou made for him. The balloon twisting table was popular with kids and their parents with a line stretching across the room.

Left, the Junkyard Symphony leader "Junkyard Jonny" pumps up the crowd gathered outside the Dorset ball diamond. The duo performed music with an environmental message.

Jenn Watt Times staff

sports

Small towns pull off big event

Jenn Watt

Editor

They broke records, mobilized community and proved that small town Ontario can handle big events.

The Ontario Senior Winter Games, held for the first time in a county rather than a city or town, rolled through Haliburton Feb. 15 through 17, leaving behind it a group of very satisfied organizers.

"Jim Bradley of the Sport Alliance said to us [Feb. 17] night ... we have proven that small town, rural Ontario can host these games and that's a big breakthrough for other communities to go forward and apply now," said organizing committee chairman Alan Clark.

"I don't think they were 100 per cent sure of that when we started this process," Amy Brohm, co-chair for communications agreed.

Although Winterfest - the name for the senior games - has been held five times before, this is the first time they took a chance on a group of hamlets to pull off the sporting event for adults over 55 years old.

Haliburton County pulled through with a record 29 districts taking part and a whopping 833 athletes/participants.

In the province, there are only 33 active districts (those that have the organization required to participate in the games).

Distances between venues was one of the logistical challenges the committee faced, with hockey games spread at arenas between Wilberforce and Minden, skiing in Eagle Lake, bridge in Coboconk and bowling in Peterborough.

Besides just the scheduling, it was also costly, Clark said.

"Transportation was the biggest piece that was more [money] that others didn't have to contend with," he said.

While the overall budget of Winterfest was about \$615,000, the previous games in Brockville cost \$545,000.

Coordinating busing was hard enough, but when one hockey player forgot his heart medication at his accommodations near Irondale, volunteers had to make up the gaps between venues.

"A guy ... phones me at 7:30 on Wednesday morning. He got to the arena and realized he had left his heart medication He came from Wilberforce ... he didn't really know the difference between Haliburton and Minden," general manager Myke Malone said.

"I said, where are you playing hockey? He says, Haliburton. So I phoned down to Bark Lake where he was staying, they found the medication [and brought it to the] Haliburton arena. I phone the arena to tell the guy, your medication's coming, [they said] he's not here. We look into it and he's playing in the Minden arena. Of course, it's all Haliburton County to him. So we had some volunteers who said, 'That's OK, [we're] going to Minden.' They took the medication over to Minden. By the time they got to Minden he had gone back to Wilberforce. ... The EMS people ... were going to Wilberforce, so that medicine made it completely around the county," Malone laughs.

"The guy was just overwhelmed when he got it back."

There are three studies of the impact of the games underway - two locally done and one by the Ontario Senior Games Association. The county conducted one study to judge reactions to accommodations, which was placed on chairs at the closing ceremonies, and another (the Sport Tourism Economic

Assessment Module) was done to judge economic impact.

The STEAM study will be part of the final games report to county council at their April meeting.

While it is hard to judge whether Winterfest made life-long Highlands enthusiasts out of athletes, Brohm, Clark and Malone all told stories of people remarking they would return.

"We have people who want to come back with vacation time with their families, but we're also now known as a sport destination, so we can have them back for hockey tournaments or bridge tournaments," Malone said.

Of the participants, 414 decided to stay in local accommodations for a third evening, after the closing ceremonies. "That's all new money," Clark said of the third night income. "That's over and above anything we budgeted." On the medical front, Clark reported that only 12 medical "incidents" took place, with only one hospital visit for a minor issue.

And the "wow factor" came from the glass awards created by Artech Glassblowing Studio, which were coveted by athletes and ogled during registration. "The other big hit of the games was clearly the medals, the awards. They were just stunning," Clark said. But above all, the 350 volunteers who greeted, served and cared for participants along the way gave the sixth Winterfest its sparkle - perhaps leading to the success of the first countywide games.

"Especially the reaction [of participants] to the volunteers was just staggering," Clark said. "They couldn't say enough."

"The community really gets behind it in a rural area," Malone said.

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9	Andrew McGill	887.5
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Haliburton table tennis team Nuriya Kohanova, left, and Hans Walter were disqualified from Winterfest, as Kohanova was discovered to be too young to participate.

/Photo by Barry Willhelm

Haliburton table tennis team disqualified

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The county's mixed table tennis duo was disqualified from Winterfest on their second day of competition.

While Hans Walter and partner Nuriya Kohanova competed in three matches on Wednesday, Feb. 16, they were removed from the competition on the second day of play due to Kohanova's age.

Participants in the games are supposed to be 55 or older.

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Kohanova, however, is just 46.

Walter told the *Times* that organizers had known about the age discrepancy when the couple signed up, however, organizers say they had no idea Kohanova was ineligible.

"The couple played three games on the Wednesday and Wednesday afternoon ... word came to us that there might be an age eligibility dispute," said Larry Holden, co-chairperson of the technical committee.

The next morning, once it was established that Kohanova was nine years too young for the games, the team was immediately disqualified.

Paperwork submitted by athletes does not ask for birth dates, rather it asks applicants to check off age category boxes.

Holden says Kohanova's form had selected the over 55 box.

"You take their word [on age] for the application," he said.

The couple decided to stick around after disqualification to volunteer, with Walter doing some refereeing through the rest of the tournament.

As a result of the Senior Games in Haliburton County, three new table tennis tables have been made available for use by young and old.

Through the Sport for More program and the Ontario Table Tennis Association, people of all ages are invited to learn about and try table tennis at the Minden Community Centre, Saturday, March 5 from 10-3.

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by Kim Emmerson Special to the Times

Minden's Bill Lithgow, middle, took home the silver in the men's 55+ alpine ski event at the winter games. On left, gold winner Ralph Burchert and on right, bronze winner Ray Overman. Lithgow's combined time (best three of four runs was 71.27 seconds).

Two Minden men bring home medals

Jenn Watt
Editor

Lithgow, of Minden, teaches at Sir Sam's and was competing in the senior games for the first time.

Haliburton County skiers stunned spectators on the slopes of Sir Sam's taking two golds and one silver Feb. 17.

Eagle Lake's Doris Pierson, 80, easily took home the top prize in the women's 75+ category at Winterfest senior games, with a combined time of 85.61 seconds.

"I was very pleased with what I did," Pierson said following the race.

She practises every Sunday at the hill in the women's 45+ competition, which helped improve her time.

The combined time reflects the best three out of four runs down the hill.

The silver medalist in Pierson's category had a time of 116.96 seconds.

The entire competition was fun for the veteran skier, who made sure to compliment the organizers and volunteers.

"It was very well organized and ... and all the volunteers were wonderful - they were very supportive."

Meanwhile, in the men's categories, Haliburton was well represented by Victor Ettel (65+) and Bill Lithgow (55+) who were also victorious.

Ettel dominated his category, receiving a gold with a time of 77.87 seconds and Lithgow scored a silver with a 71.27 second time - the fastest Haliburton had to offer.

Ettel, 73, resides in Soyers Lake and has been skiing since he was six, winning the national championship in downhill racing in his native Czech Republic when he was 17.



Minden curlers place 13th

Minden curlers Steve Robson and Winn Taylor sweep a rock thrown by skip Jack Taylor during a Winterfest game at the Minden Curling Club on Feb. 16. The team, whose other member was Audrey Robson, took their first game against Grey Bruce and ended up 13th in the tournament.

Chad Ingram Times staff

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Left, Haliburton defenceman Jim Winn pursues a Grey Bruce player, as he takes a shot on goalie Brian Sachs readying for the save during the second game of the first day of the Ontario Senior Winter Games on Wednesday, Feb. 16. Haliburton lost 5-2.

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Senior games hockey team gave it all they had

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

The dressing room of the Haliburton (men's 55+) hockey team was full of energy just moments before their game against Grey Bruce on Feb. 16.

However the positive energy wasn't enough.

At 3 p.m. the Haliburton Old Guys hit the ice to take on the team from Grey Bruce but were defeated by a score of 5-2.

The loss resulted in the Haliburton team's elimination from the Ontario Senior Games.

Heading into the game, the Haliburton team was coming off a 2-2 tie against Lanark, a game that was looking to go in Haliburton's favour until the final four seconds when Lanark scored, resulting in a tie.

Despite the turn of events players on the

team were looking forward to the game against Grey Bruce.

Comprised of 17 players, the team also played together for the Scotty Morrison Tournament just weeks before the games took place.

For most of the players on the team, playing hockey is not just a pastime but also one of their most cherished hobbies. Between all the team players, a total of more than a thousand years of hockey have been played.

"I'm feeling pretty confident about the team," said coach Ray Luck.

The final results for the men's 55+ hockey event were announced on Feb. 17, with gold going to the Brampton team, silver to Grey Bruce and bronze to York.

In the men's 65+ hockey category gold was awarded to the team from Durham, silver to Windsor and bronze to Mississauga.

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Algonquin Highlands resident Sheila Ziman, right, prepares to compete in the prediction Nordic skiing event at Glebe Park on Feb. 17 as part of the Ontario Senior Games while official timer Kit Pizzey looks on. Photo by Angelica Blenich

Haliburton athletes bring home medals in Nordic skiing

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Haliburton and Minden Nordic skiing athletes were feeling a golden and bronze glow on Feb. 17 as they accepted medals in both the time trial and prediction skiing events at the Ontario Senior Winter Games.

Peter Brogden of Algonquin Highlands placed first in the Nordic Time Trial 75+ category, garnering a gold medal for himself.

An avid Nordic skier, Brogden edged out competitor Malcolm McIntyre in the five-kilometre ski with a final time of 32 minutes and 55 seconds.

The Haliburton-Muskoka district team placed third in the prediction team event, which is awarded based on the average of the best three times completed by a district.

The winning team included athletes Jack Cox, Pauline Plooard and Bruce Stephenson.

"I'm very happy to get the medal" said Stephenson. "Now I can take it home and examine it."

high school sports



Coach Russ Duhaime, skip Jesse Walker, vice Owen Duhaime, second Mike Mazara, lead Tyler Warham, host club alternate Alex Cormier, and coach Tom Dibblee with the consolation trophy. Submitted photo

Hawks place third in province

The Red Hawks boys' curling team were deemed third best in Ontario after the Gore Provincials Feb. 17 to 19 in Carp, Ont.

In the team's first action on Thursday, the squad, who were missing vice Jesse Walker and played a substitute from the host club, were pushed to an extra end against Sir Winston Churchill of St. Catharines.

Tied in the eighth end, after scoring two to equalize, the Red Hawks stole a point in the extra end, their third point unanswered, to win 6-5.

In the team's second game the Red Hawks beat St. James of Guelph 8-4 in seven ends at 9 a.m. on Friday.

Their next game is against Moira of Belleville, who is 1-1 while Haliburton is 2-0.

After a shoot out, HHSS was first in the pool and advanced to the semi-finals on Saturday, Feb. 19.

After losing 9-2 to London on Saturday without second

Mike Mazara (filled in by host club alternate Alex Cormier), the boys advanced to the consolation final against Markham, winning 9-6.

Due to the Gore provincials, the HHSS team had to forfeit some games in the Kawartha SouthWest curing in Omemee. Despite this, "the HHSS boys have advanced to the eight-team double knockout Kawartha curling championship in Campbellford this Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The top two teams from there will advance to COSSA March 7," Dibblee wrote in an email.

There are eight boys and eight girls high school teams from across Ontario to compete for the Gore Trophy and the Gore Crystal.

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-with files from Tom Dibblee

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Girls' snowboard team takes 2nd and 3rd

The following HHSS sports briefs were compiled by Judi Paul's class.

Feb. 11

The snowboarding team competed in the Kawartha championship at Sir Sam's where our girls' teams finished second and third place overall, while the boys' B team captured third overall.

Best individual times were Jessica Bishop third, Kate Denniston fifth, and Tiffany Van-Lieshout sixth. Fastest time of the day went to Mackenzie Robinson at 26.65 seconds.

The Red Hawk wrestling team performed well at the Kawartha Championships, with 13 of our wrestlers advancing to the COSSA championships. The girls' team placed sec-

ond amongst 11 schools.

Feb. 15

The men's Red Hawk hockey team continued their winning streak with a 9-2 victory over Adam Scott.

The senior girls' volleyball team ended their season at the Kawartha Championships.

The junior boys' basketball team ended their season at the Kawartha championships.

The senior boys' basketball team positioned themselves one victory away from a COSSA berth by defeating Norwood by a 46-41 score. Luke Watson had 16 points and Chris Allison capitalized on four key

foul shots in the latter stages of the game to secure the win. Damon Flatman had nine points and Justin Levely had five points. Outstanding defensive effort from Caleb Zilla.

The Lady Hawks hockey team finished their league play with a loss against Cobourg West, but will advance to the playoffs if Campbellford defeats Adam Scott.

Feb. 16

The Nordic ski team competed at Kawartha and had some impressive results. Jillian Mayhew brought home two gold medals – first place individual and first place in the sprint relay. Lindsey Pogue finished second in the individual and shared in the relay gold. Jacob Outram placed third in Novice boys and first in relay. Josh Wright took over a minute off his previous result to move up two places and take third in a very tough senior boys' field.

Fourteen Red Hawk wrestlers com-

peted at the COSSA championships. Nine of our athletes placed amongst the top four in their weight class. Earning COSSA bronze were Dylan Graham, Zane Zondervan, Kayla Gardiner, Caitlyn Griffin, and Jen Woolacott. Silver Medallists were Lily Coneybeare, Nicole Honderich, and Tara O'Sullivan. Bailey Walker returned home as COSSA champ. The Red Hawk women's team placed second amongst all COSSA schools.

Feb. 17

The junior girls' volleyball team played well but ended their season in Cobourg at the Kawartha championship.

The Red Hawk girls' curling team showed perseverance and good sportsmanship at the Kawartha Qualifiers and after some hard-fought games, advanced to next week's Kawartha championship.

Notice



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act*, and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday March 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

1. File No. H-126/10
Applicant: James & Diane RATZ
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 28, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: New Lot & Right-of-way
2. File No. H-130/10
Applicant: Michael & Sheila HUTCHISON
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 8, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
3. File No. H-131/10
Applicant: Kirk & Nikki HUTCHISON
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 8, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
4. File No. H-133/10
Applicant: James & Anna GAJDA
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 12, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Stanhope
Nature of the Application: Bell Canada Easement

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 23rd day of February, 2011.

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A brand-new car may be just what the doctor ordered to help put you on the road to tobacco-free living.

Local health officials are encouraging Haliburton County residents to sign up for this year's Driven to Quit Challenge. By quitting smoking and staying tobacco-free during March 2011, area residents have the opportunity to win a brand-new Honda hybrid, a \$5,000 vacation getaway, a \$1,000 gift card or another prize.

"There is plenty to be won in the Driven to Quit Challenge, and that is not even mentioning the best reward of all, better health, that comes with going tobacco-free," says Laraine Shine, an occupational health nurse and health and wellness advocate at Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

To help promote the Driven to Quit Challenge, local health professionals are organizing a launch event on Wednesday, Feb. 23 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. A 2011 Honda CR-Z hybrid, similar to what can be won in the challenge, will be parked by the Haliburton site's main entrance. Inside the main foyer of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services, displays, resources and refreshments will be available to encourage people to sign up for the Driven to Quit Challenge. The hospital, Smoker's Helpline, Kawartha Lakes Honda, Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, Haliburton Highlands Health Services and the Haliburton

Family Health Team are teaming up on the launch.

The Driven to Quit Challenge, which is hosted by the Canadian Cancer Society in collaboration with health units across the province, encourages Ontario tobacco users (19 years of age and older) to give up tobacco with the support of a "buddy." Selected winners are drawn at random and are tested to verify that they have been tobacco-free.

"Since 2006, the challenge has helped more than 130,000 entrants make a quit attempt, including hundreds of people from Haliburton," adds Connie Wood, a nurse educator with the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team.

Haliburton Highland Health Services is also introducing a smoke-free site policy in January 2012 to protect patients, visitors, staff, physicians and volunteers from the dangers of second-hand smoke and to encourage the community to adopt a smoke-free lifestyle.

People must register for the Driven to Quit Challenge by midnight on Feb. 28, 2011. They can do so by visiting www.driventoquit.ca or calling the Smokers' Helpline at 1-877-513-5333 to register and get help to quit.

Copies of the entry forms are also available at the health unit office in Haliburton and the Haliburton Family Health Team.

For more information, contact:

Connie Wood, nurse educator, Haliburton Highlands Family Health, 705-455-9220.

Or: Dearbhla Lynch, health promoter, HKPR District Health Unit, 705-324-3569.

A new book of further wonders in Haliburton County

Brenda Peddigrew's newest book of brief, crisp essays bring to life intricate details of her human/nature interactions during daily experiences of life in Algonquin Highlands. The public is welcome to hear Peddigrew share some of these essays and listen to Celtic music during a book launch for *Finding The Line* at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre on March 26 from 1 to 3 p.m.

The special character of these essays is that they are set in familiar places: Halls Lake, Old Mill Road, Little Kennisis River, The Log Chute, Big Hawk and Little Hawk Lakes, for example. They are full of terms that are familiar to local settings: the landfill, cottagers, and the hiking trails that surround us. Besides the familiar names, Peddigrew writes about how we experience living in Haliburton County: seasonal changes, the special character of winter, encounters with animals and concerns for how best to live among them. Even further, Peddigrew allows these very particular and familiar experiences to open into larger reflections of life and nature.

Many of these essays were originally written for bi-weekly publication in *The Highland Communicator* over a period of three years, but Peddigrew so loved encountering nature twice – once in physical reality and again when writing about it – that she continued writing even after submissions to *The Communicator* ended. Included in this collection are also three pieces originally written for a magazine with a brief life, Sideroads of Haliburton, and a few more miscellaneous essays that are simply fun to read.

Ann Linnea, a well-known nature writer known for her books *Teaching Kids to Love the Earth*, *Deep Water Passage* and *Keepers of the Trees*, shares the following testimonial on the back cover of *Finding the Line*. "With the eye of a naturalist and the pen of a philosopher, Brenda Peddigrew invites us to share the beauty of her home, which rests along the bank of the Little Kennisis River in the beautiful Algonquin Highlands of Ontario, Canada. Each essay delivers a succinct and well-crafted verbal picture of

her rural surroundings and then paves the way for a universal, deeper delving into every man's and every woman's life."

Finding the Line: Ordinary Encounters in Nature's Mirror will be launched in the common room (old library) on Saturday, March 26 from 1 to 3 p.m. Admission is free to this entertaining afternoon under the wonderful direction of Bev Hunter as mistress of ceremonies.

For further information, please contact Sheryl Loucks at R.D. Lawrence Place, 705-286-2298.

R.D. Lawrence Place has a mandate to foster a love of reading, promote the art of writing and deepen respect for natural heritage. It is located at 176 Bobcaygeon Rd. at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, which includes the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Minden Hills Museum, and Haliburton County Public Library Minden Hills branch. The centre is owned and operated by the township of Minden Hills.

Health unit issuing notices to area students without up-to-date immunizations

Some students in Haliburton County, Northumberland County and the City of Kawartha Lakes may face an unexpected holiday from school in mid-May.

Starting this month, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is mailing more than 3,500 first notices to local students for whom the health unit does not have up-to-date immunization records. Final notices will be sent to parents in late March. If the records are not updated with the health unit, school suspensions for these students could start in May.

Under the Immunization of School Pupils Act, the health unit must ensure students attending school are immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps and rubella. These diseases can cause serious complications, even death, which is why the Ontario government provides vaccines free-of-charge to protect against these diseases.

"While we do not like to see students suspended, there is a requirement for all students to be immunized. It is also true that when most people are vaccinated, we are all better protected

against diseases in our community," says Linda McCarey, assistant director of communicable disease control with the HKPR District Health Unit.

Families who receive first notices this month are advised to contact the health unit as soon as possible and provide the missing immunization information. In many cases, students have received the required vaccines from a family doctor or other health-care provider, but parents have not provided the records to the health unit.

"Records of immunization given by family doctors are not automatically forwarded to the health unit, so the responsibility falls to parents," says McCarey. "For most people, these notices are a necessary reminder to bring their child's immunization record to the health unit so the information can be added to our database."

In a few instances, parents or guardians who receive a health unit notice may discover that their child is missing one of the required vaccines. This is an opportunity for families to ensure

their child is fully protected against the disease by arranging to get the vaccine from their doctor. People without a family doctor can call the health unit to discuss immunization options. Students may also be exempted from vaccination for medical reasons, or by giving a sworn affidavit that immunization is against their conscience or religious belief.

"Taking action when you receive the notice can avoid the unnecessary suspension of students," McCarey adds.

Families who receive a notice should immediately contact the health unit at 1-866-888-4577.

Notices



Township of Algonquin Highlands

Pursuant to By-Law 07-46
NOTICE is hereby provided that

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Erin Lynch visits Pikangikum with ArtsCan Circle

Erin Lynch
Special to the Times

I read the email, and I am flooded with the feeling of trepidation and excitement. Will I go to Pikangikum again? There is only a moment of hesitation, while the hairs visibly rise on my forearms, before I respond yes.

A little over a year ago I flew with ArtsCan Circle to the remote Northern Ontario fly-in community of Pikangikum, 100 kilometres north of Red Lake. A charity organization, ArtsCan Circle sends teams of artists into high-risk native communities to facilitate art projects. As a social activist, an artist and an adventurer, this seemed to fit perfectly into my realm. At the time, I was desperate for an adventure. In another lifetime, I was a nomadic traveller free from belongings and little responsibilities. With a business, a child and a mortgage, my roots have become more planted. And although the tree doesn't grow money, it is healthy and most often happy. But there are times when I wish I were a seed blowing in the wind.

Flying in a small plane, close to the ground and seeing vast stretches of frozen bodies of water, with little or no human habitation along the water's edge, conveys the iso-



lation. Upon arrival at the landing strip, we are met by our community contact, a school administrator. We are a group of five: four artists with our materials, and the executive director. Our taxi is a pick-up with a van seat in the back. Now, I look at these photos from when I first got to the community. I'm smiling and laughing as we pose, taking photos of us getting ready to drive around the reserve. At this point it is still part of my adventure, but soon everything changes.

In 2000, the first nation was reported to have the highest suicide rate in the world. The population of this small remote community is approximately 2,000, with 86 per cent of the population being under the age of 39. Unemployment sits around 70 per cent. While there, I was told 90 per cent of the homes don't have indoor plumbing.

The truck drives along the dusty path. Like a spectator at the zoo, I stare with a keen curiosity at the graffiti, the boarded up windows, the outhouses and the crosses that mark every yard where loved ones are buried. Children roam and wild dogs bark. People walk with broken hockey sticks for protection. We pass the school, which consists of 15 large portables; what once was said to be a temporary replacement when the school was burned down has become a formation of permanence. The one and only store sits on the edge of town. The Northern sells pelts, pots and boxes of Cheerios for \$16.99. Over the week that I am there, I hear a story of child's dream, of a birthday treat being an



Photos submitted

orange. It is shocking. It makes me sad and mad. How can this be in our country? Why don't we hear about this? Why isn't it a priority?

I am teamed up with another artist, and after a few days I relax. The children are beautiful and make me laugh. They are enamoured with my nose rings, as no one else in the community has a pierced nose. They like working with their hands, and I'm upbeat and sometimes silly. I enjoy the lifting voices as they speak Ojibwa, commenting no doubt on my appearance or behaviour. English is a second language and kindergarten is in Ojibwa. Starting in Grade 1, classes are taught in English.

One day after school, I sit outside the music portable while music club takes place. Guitars, drums and a base play at different speeds and rhythms, forming what sounds like a contemporary melody.

A boy, Brandon, approaches me. He had been in my jewelry class that day. An attentive Grade 6 student, he had made a collar for his cat. "Do they have pet stores in your country?" he asks me.

I don't know how to answer. This does feel like a different country. Brandon has never been to a pet store and has only experienced this concept through television.

The teachers that work here amaze me. Danielle Lawrence teaches Grade 6; she is native, but grew up outside of Sudbury. She is a fantastic role model to her students and community.

"I stay because I am able to see all the good that is happening here. I can't focus on the bad things because, even though they exist and I see them, I have hope for this place and I am always amazed by the good that I see. It is a beautiful community with beautiful people," says Lawrence.

And that is what I try to do, to see the good as I stand outside my lodgings with a group of adolescents while Northern Lights dance across the sky.

On March 3, I will be embarking once again to Pikangikum. The first time I travelled there, it was for curiosity and an adventure; this time I'm going with a more defined sense of purpose and understanding.

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Haliburton County Outdoors

by Steve Galea

Tie one on: you won't regret it

OK, there's still a lot of winter left in this county. But, on a day like today, with plus temperatures and a wind that is scouring the lakes clean of snow, I can't help but think of spring and open water. And, when that time comes, I want to be ready for all the opportunities that ice out provides. For me, that means heading back to the fly tying bench.

Fly tying, of course, goes hand-in-hand with fly-fishing. You don't have to tie flies to fly fish, but it certainly makes the sport more interesting. Heck, even non-fly fishers make use of flies, trolling them behind spoons.

There are good reasons why an angler might want to learn to tie flies but economy isn't one of them. Like any hobby, getting started can soak up a few dollars and recouping your investment won't happen any time soon.

So why do it then? Well, first and foremost, it's fun. Every time I sit down at the fly tying bench in the winter, I can't help but think about spring, trout, bass, pike and open water.

The best reason, however, is that fly tying allows you to stock patterns that you just won't find at any store and customize flies so that they work on the waters you fish. Better still, there's a certain satisfaction in catching fish with flies that you tied yourself.

The basics

If you want to get started in fly tying, there are two ways to go. The first is to buy a kit that's got everything you need to start. That generally means vise, hackle pliers, bobbin, glue, thread, hooks, feathers, fur and an instructional manual. The advantage of this is that you are ready to go and there is a slight savings. The disadvantage is that, if you find

you enjoy it, you'll probably buy another vise.

Personally, I would visit a reputable store (in person or online) that sells this stuff and buy quality tools and a vise. Or, research until you find what you want and can afford, then take this to our local retailers and see if they can place an order for you. As in most endeavours, you'll never regret buying quality.

You should purchase or borrow a good basic fly tying book along with those tools, although there are plenty of excellent resources on the Internet.

Little steps

I've taught quite a few fly tiers over the years and have found that their No. 1 cause of frustration is trying patterns far too complex for their abilities.

That's why I'd strongly recommend that beginners first learn to tie simple streamers, bucktails and other easy patterns like woolly buggers and woolly worms. These are easy to tie but also incredibly effective. More than that, the materials needed for them are commonly found and quite inexpensive.

Once you master the skills to tie a few of these basic flies, the sky is the limit. From there on in you can choose more complex patterns or progress to nymphs, wet flies or dry flies. You might even want to get into making your own jig-heads for spin or bait-fishing applications.

Fly tying is not for everyone, but those who get into it find a whole lot of satisfaction and discover another interesting facet of fishing.

Once you catch that first fish on a fly you tied, I guarantee you won't regret it.



On cold winter days it's nice to prepare for springtime outdoor activities like fly fishing. Why not try tying a fly? It's not that hard.

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Pull the 'comfort sweater' out of the closet

**Patti Fleury**

Around the Town

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We have all heard of comfort foods, well how about a comfort sweater free of any guilt producing calories? In recognition of National Sweater Day which, according to my radio sources, was being celebrated last Thursday, Feb. 17, I pulled on my old

favourite normally reserved for unpleasant occasions like blood tests and root canals. A tunic length brown/gray tweed mix turtle-neck it was purchased several years ago in Minden. Machine washable and dryer safe the sweater has survived unlike my mauve blanket which I carried everywhere thumb firmly stuck in mouth until kindergarten. After repeated loudly protested laundries the beloved blanket had faded and shrunk to handkerchief size only to be discarded as the school journey began. I am sure that this old sweater with its cozy comfort secret

is much more socially acceptable to these advanced years than the thumb approach.

Another familiar phrase "like a kid in a candy shop" will quickly come to mind to knitters visiting Marty's in Haliburton. No longer on the main street the store has moved to Unit B, 13523 Hwy. 118 West and in addition to its incredible wools offers classes and much more. When we bought the farm back in 1969 it was already named "Connemara" after a rocky coastal area of Ireland known for its marble and breed of ponies. The name still seemed appropriate for these rough, rocky acres back in on the Galway Road an area settled in the mid 1850s by early hardy Irish immigrants. At Marty's I found a new wool labeled with the name Connemara and so its tweedy softness now appropriately fills my knitting bag

to overflowing with a new line of country classic sweaters planned.

Congratulations to Melissa Goodliff this month's winner in the Kinmount Freshmart's draw for NHL hockey tickets. Her prize is two tickets for the Ottawa Senators versus the Philadelphia Flyers game on Saturday, Feb. 26 plus overnight accommodation at the Country Inn in nearby Kanata. The next and final draw in this particular promotion will be for tickets to see the Ottawa Senators versus the Pittsburgh Penguins on March 15 plus the overnight stay.

Entry tickets are free with purchases over \$50 so do try your luck.

Advance tickets are available now for the *Kinmount Gazette* and Victoria Pony Club

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Please join us for a fundraiser on
Sunday, February 27, 2011
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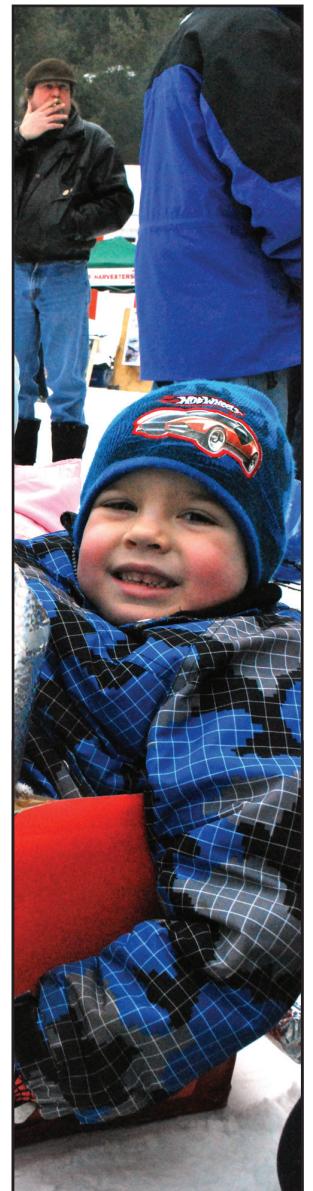
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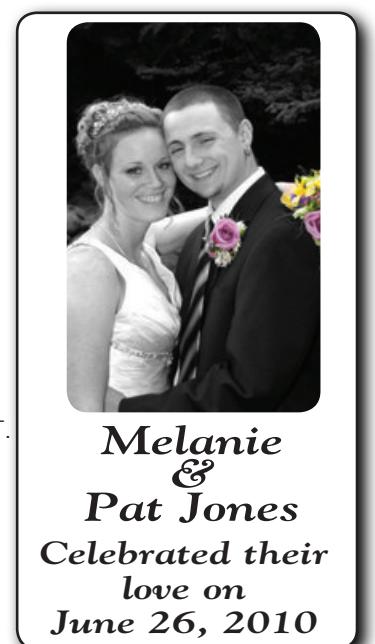
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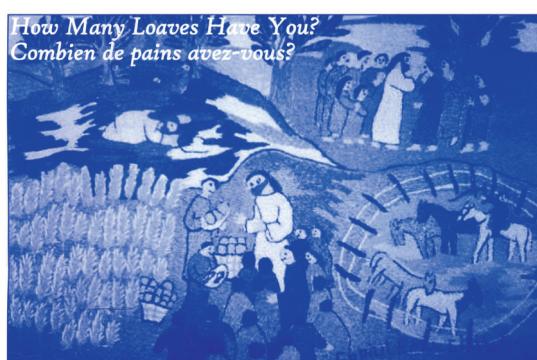
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Artisans' guild AGM scheduled for Feb. 27

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annual dinner and loonie auction fundraiser coming up at the Galway Hall on Saturday, March 5 by calling 705-488-2547. Donations of bid items for the auction would be welcomed. Get your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

A reminder to members of the Kinmount and Area Artisans Guild that the annual general meeting for the 2010 year will be held Sunday, Feb. 27 at the community centre from 2 to 4 p.m. leaving lots of time to get home for the Academy Awards.

Reports will include an annual review of the Guild's primary project the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace and the meeting provides members with an opportunity to both receive and exchange ideas. Feedback on the First Impressions program will also be shared.

Mark your calendars now for the Kinmount and District Lions Club's annual hearty pancake supper coming up on Pancake Tuesday, March 8 at the Community Centre from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Admission is by donation with proceeds raised going to support the Kinmount Playschool for preschoolers held at the centre on Monday and Wednesday mornings.

Purchases of books, toys and craft supplies are always needed for this valuable, play based early learning experience.

Until next week ...

Send in your Dorset Snowball stories



Melissa Alfano

Dorset News

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Kudos goes out to Ken Everest for arranging a Valentine's serenade for his wife, Mildred. All the ladies of Dorset are jealous! How romantic....

As I write the news today, I'm contemplating the weather, which at the moment is very balmy for February, and I'm thinking about the Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival. They're calling for rain, which does not bode well for the family skating party, although I hear that if it is raining, Snowball will be hosting its first family dance party in the Recreation Centre.

One thing about the people of Dorset, they always have a great time at the carnival, and as it says on the Snowball brochure, "No matter the weather." The weather could be bitterly cold with the wind chill factoring in the minus 30s, or snowing, or mild, and everyone still makes the best of the situation and adapts as needed. (No ice at the rink? That's OK - let's play hockey in our boots!)

By the time this Dorset News is printed, Snowball will be wrapped up for another year, and I hope to include a Snowball report next week. If you have a Snowball story to share, please let me know and I would be happy to include in the Dorset News.

This week is the Dorset Lions Club mid winter dinner for all seniors of Dorset (age 55 and up). Dinner is complimentary and takes place on Feb. 23 starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. For more information or to make a reservation, please give Steve a call at 705-766-2469.

There is still time to sign up for the workshop on maple syrup operations and opportunities on Friday, Feb. 25 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Pre-registration is required and the cost is \$25 per person. For more information, contact Trevor at 705-646-5519 or Nicole at 705-286-5206.

The drumming program taking place at the Dorset Recreation Centre happens on Mondays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and all are welcome to join in. Experience the benefits of drumming, self expression, creativity and play. For more information or to register, please call Gillian at 705-766-2323. Yoga classes are continuing and are very popular at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesdays from either 10 to 11 a.m. or 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The classes are suitable for all levels, with gentle to vigorous options provided by the teacher, Ingrid Bittner. For more information, please call Ingrid at 705-783-1691.

A local World Day of Prayer Service will be held at Knox United Church in Dorset on Saturday, March 5 at 10 a.m. All are welcome to attend the service that will focus on Chile and its unique culture and heritage. Join Christians in more than 170 countries around the world and 2,000 communities across Canada who will gather on the World Day of Prayer to pray and act in solidarity with the people of Chile. For more information about World Day of Prayer in Dorset, please give Stephanie Rabjohn a call at 705-766-2207. Birthday wishes for the week of Feb. 20 to 26 go out to Chris Clarke, John Keown and Sarah Jane Johnson, and happy anniversary to Gail and Ted Hope. For all who have birthdays, anniversaries and special occasions this week, have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

Coming Events

community calendar



Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or to the  Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.halibutonecho.ca

- **Wednesday: Bid Euchre** 1pm located at the Haliburton Legion. \$2 admission
Contact Jean Fletch 705-457-2618
- **Thursday: Bid Euchre** 7pm Echo Hills Apt. For more information contact Jean Fletch 705-457-2618
- **February 22: Volunteer Income Tax:** at the Haliburton Legion Every Tuesday starting at 9am to 2pm ending Tuesday April 19. for more information contact Marlene Watson @ 705-448-2266
- **February 23rd 1:30 p.m. The Haliburton County Historical Society Presents:** Bill Beattie & Julia Roberston Topic: "Stories my Grandparents told me" located at the Maple Lake United Church, Stanhope Airport Rd. & Highway. 118
- **February 23: Volunteer Income Tax:** Every Wednesday located at the Wilberforce Legion from 2pm to 3:30pm ending Wednesday April. 20 for more information contact Marlene Watson @ 705-448-2266
- **February 24: PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE:** Person directed planning workshop, assisting individuals with a developmental disability to achieve their dream of a good life. Located in the Kinmount Public Library 4pm for more information contact 705-749-6681
- **February 25: One Grey Mouse:** Celebrating Early Literacy located at the Haliburton Public Library Dysart Branch 10am-11am for more information contact 705-457-2241
- **February 28th: TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly)** 10-11am located at the Community Care Drop In Centre, for more information call Mary or Don @ 705-457-2420
- **March 1: GriefShare:** starting from 7:30-9PM for 13 weeks at Lakeside Baptist Church, Park Street,

Haliburton. This group is sponsored by people who know what you are experiencing and want to offer you comfort and encouragement during this difficult time. For further information contact Susan Bain 705-457-2570 or Pat and Doug Hardy 705-286-3635.

- **March 1: Person directed planning workshop:** Assisting individuals with a developmental disability to achieve their dream of a good life. Located in the Dysart Library at 5:30pm for more information contact 705-749-6681
- **March 3: Person directed planning workshop:** Assisting individuals with a developmental disability to achieve their dream of a good life. Located in the Bobcaygeon Library 6pm contact 705-749-6681
- **March 4: Highland Lakes Community Church Bread for Life Dinner:** will be held the first Friday of every month (beginning Feb.4) at the Minden Hills Community Centre. Doors open at 12:00 lunch served from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Share a free hot meal and good conversation with your neighbors. Everyone Welcome. Transportation is available for those who need it. For more information contact 705-286-0700 or Web:highlandlakescc.weebly.com

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Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.
NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

Close game slips away for Bantam B girls' Storm

The Minden Car Quest Bantam B girls let a close game slip away last night against the Orillia Hawks in their Provincial B Playdowns. In their third game of a four-game round robin format, the Storm girls fought back the pressure from the Orillia Hawks and jumped out to a 2-0 lead on two goals from Erin Little. The Hawks never gave up and continued their pressure against the Highland Storm squad and chipped away on the scoreboard.

Connor Marsden tried to keep the Orillia team at bay but the Hawks scored three unanswered goals in the third period ... turnovers, fatigue and lack focus caught up to the Storm girls. Our Minden Car Quest Bantam Bs pushed to tie the score but could not find the net even with our goalie pulled late in the third. The Storm girls will need some help from Barrie and Clearview against Orillia and then pull off a victory against North Simcoe Feb. 27 in Wilberforce to try and sneak into the provincial playdowns in April. Game time Sunday, Feb. 27 is 5 p.m. Get ready to battle Storm Bantam Bs.

Submitted by Dan Marsden

Peewee AEs thank the fans

What a wonderful community we live in! Thanks to all the fans who came out to support and cheer on Randy's Tree Care and Landscaping Peewee AEs on Saturday, Feb. 19 in Haliburton. Great positive support and energy!

And the return of Ethan Cooper, proved to give the boys the edge and the boost they needed. Ethan showing he had fully recovered and was ready to play hockey scored both the goals which lead to a 2-1 win for the Storm, forcing a fifth game in Lakefield Feb. 20. Assist for this game goes to Jake Bull.

What a game in Lakefield, friends and family made the trek to support and cheer for our boys and got to witness an exciting game. Lakefield was the first to score. The Storm boys seemed to struggle, yet were outplaying Lakefield and once again, the Storm could not buy a goal. By the end of

the second period Lakefield had pulled ahead with a 3-1 lead and thought they were going to win the series. Our goal was a beautiful deflection by Jon Morrison from Tim Burgess, in the second.

It looked like the Storm team was going to have to chalk this series up to experience, but the team that returned to the ice in the third had not given up!

Josh Rowden was the first to score with the assist going to Tim Burgess. The next goal was by Max MacNaull assisted by Drew Vanlieshout. The go ahead goal for us in the third period was by Greg Crofts with assists to Alex Wilbee and

goaltender Parker Smolen (his first of the season). But the Storm boys weren't finished yet, they were out to make sure this game was a winner, Tim Burgess scored unassisted and to put the finish on the game Greg Crofts scored an empty netter, unassisted, which made a total of five goals scored in the third period for the Storm boys bringing the final score to 6-3 and of course bring home the win.

The Highland Storm Peewee AEs now move onto the OMHA semi-finals with dates and opposing team to be announced (believe it will be either Newcastle or

Brighton). Once again thank you to everyone who has come out to cheer for our team and those who have supported the Highland Storm in other ways. Hope to see and hear you when we start our next series - woo-woo!

Submitted Karena Crofts

Heartbreak for Atom AEs

Final Scores: 6-3 and 3-2 Overtime Loss Against Newcastle. Newcastle Wins Quarterfinal, three games to two.

It was right there - so agonizingly close. But as the puck rolled over the goal line with only sixteen seconds remaining to bring the game into overtime, it would seem that fate had dealt a cruel hand. And in overtime, as the Newcastle player chipped in a backhand over our sprawling, ever-so-desperate players, our boys were left only to ponder what might have been.

It was a heartbreaking way to end the series but fitting, knowing that this was a battle of two very good teams - both of whom never gave up.

Throughout the series, when one team would punch the other would counter. Time and time again the teams would trade goals, penalties, battles for the puck, wins and inevitably - losses.

The weekend started with the squad travelling to Newcastle. They were ahead in the series two games to one and with a win they would have made it through to the semis. Unfortunately, Newcastle had other plans. They came out firing on all cylinders which left our boys back on their heels for much of the game.

For the most part, Newcastle dominated the play but there were glimpses of hope. Down by two goals in the second, Ben Schmidt broke free to bring the squad within one. But, as it happened so often in this series, Newcastle had an answer before the period ended.

In the third, Ryan Prentice scored and Newcastle answered. Ben Schmidt valiantly notched a second goal but again, Newcastle answered. It was a frustrating affair and the game ended with a score of 6-3 in Newcastle's favour. Our boys' chance to end it quickly was over and it was now down to a one game showdown in Minden the following day.

The place was packed and our boys truly appreciate all the support our community showed. Tunes were cranked, the air horns blared and the refrain of, "Let's Go Storm - LET'S GO!" reverberated through the rafters.

It was a fantastic atmosphere and the team responded with a great start. Shawn Walker got the game started with a goal from in deep that was assisted by Noah Black.

But in the second period Newcastle came back to tie it. In the third, with our boys on the power play, Ben Schmidt won the draw back to Aiden Garbutt who directed a shot at the net. Bo Stevenson was there to bang in the rebound which gave our team the

lead. Chances were exchanged throughout the rest period as the clock ticked by achingly slow.

With under a minute remaining, Newcastle pulled their goalie and a shot found its way through.

Carson Sisson, who played unbelievably well throughout the series, made the save but the puck had a force all its own and somehow found its way over the goal line with only sixteen seconds remaining. From bedlam to heartbreak, in seconds. There was no time to recover.

Overtime, forced a scramble in front and Newcastle now carries on to the semis.

Despite the loss, our boys showed a heart and determination that is enviable and they should be very proud of their efforts. They can hold their head up high because they poured everything they had into that game, regardless the result.

Thanks again to all that came out to show their support.

Submitted by Jon Petrie

Atom As can't quite beat Campbellford

The Highland Storm Atom A team travelled to Campbellford on Saturday for the 4th playoff game in the second round of the playoff series. They knew it was going to be a tough do or die game, being down 2-1 in the series and without goalie Josh Bellefleur.

The boys played strong and gave it their all but loss 7-3. Left-winger, Lucas Haedicke stepped up to fill the net as goalie. The Storm team came together, played really well, fought hard with heart and had fun to the end.

The well-earned goals were scored by Owen (Smitty) Smith, Nik Dollo and Lucas Hunter. The assists were by Devyn Prentice, Owen (Smitty) Smith, Owen Patterson-Smith and Nolan Flood. We are all very proud of the boys!

The Highland Storm Atom A team is sponsored by Dollo's Foodland.

Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke

Adjust your driving to the weather conditions

Joe Duarte
QMI Agency

How many times do we hear that on the radio traffic reports?

But what does it mean?

Does it mean we automatically slow it down to crawl at the first inkling of bad conditions?

And what about those conditions we don't see?

Or those we perceive but aren't really a problem?

On the subject of the latter, I remember one blustery late winter day a decade or so ago.

I was on my way to drop off my then publisher at home because he had returned a press car that day and lived in the same

general area as I did.

The climate had warmed up to just above the freezing mark and the clouds had dropped down to ground level in a very fine mist.

On the highway, the salters were out making sure the moisture didn't instantly freeze on the still frigid pavement but as we took our exit and started up a dark country road for about 10 km, we both knew the salters hadn't been out this way yet.

We inched our way along the 80 km/h limited road at less than half that speed.

There were no other cars in sight as I peered out through the mist ahead, trying to get a sense of just how slippery the pavement really was - no sudden jerks of the wheel; no slamming on of brakes; keeping a steady throttle.

We got to a point where my passenger

had to make a stop for an errand and I got out to better gauge the state of the road on which we were travelling.

It was bone dry.

With that helpful bit of information, we made good progress after that.

Anyway, my point is that just because there is potentially wet pavement, doesn't automatically make it slippery.

Car's tires do have a say in the matter. Just as vehicles' tires build up heat and cut grooves through to the pavement on a snowy highway, so the heat they build up will help to dry up what little moisture tries to settle on the pavement.

I've travelled in rainy conditions on humid August days and come up on cars going almost half the speed they would on clear day, simply because their drivers assume if it's wet, then it must be slippery.

By slowing down to insanely disproportionate speeds to those around you on fast roadways, you are just as much a menace as that SUV who falsely believes he can travel at the same speed on a snow covered road as he would on a clear one, just because he has four-wheel drive.

If you're than unsure of the conditions, stick to roadways with lower speed limits.

Now, that doesn't mean you don't slow down when it's a blizzard or even stop if white out conditions get crazy, but listen to your gut.

And if it's telling you to slow down to a crawl, even though vehicles around you are passing left and right, chances are you're not driving to the conditions.

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Deaths

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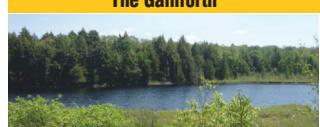
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